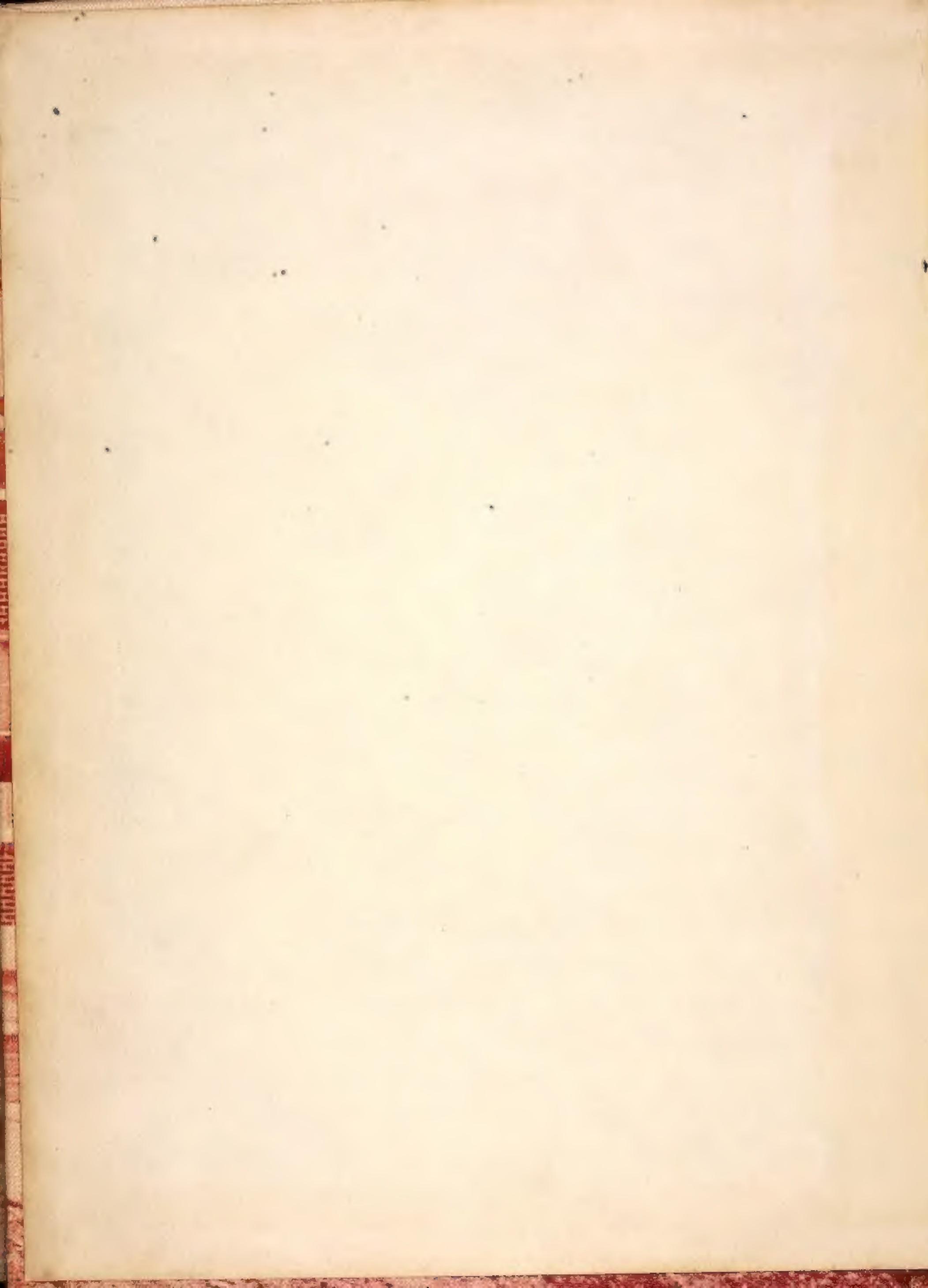
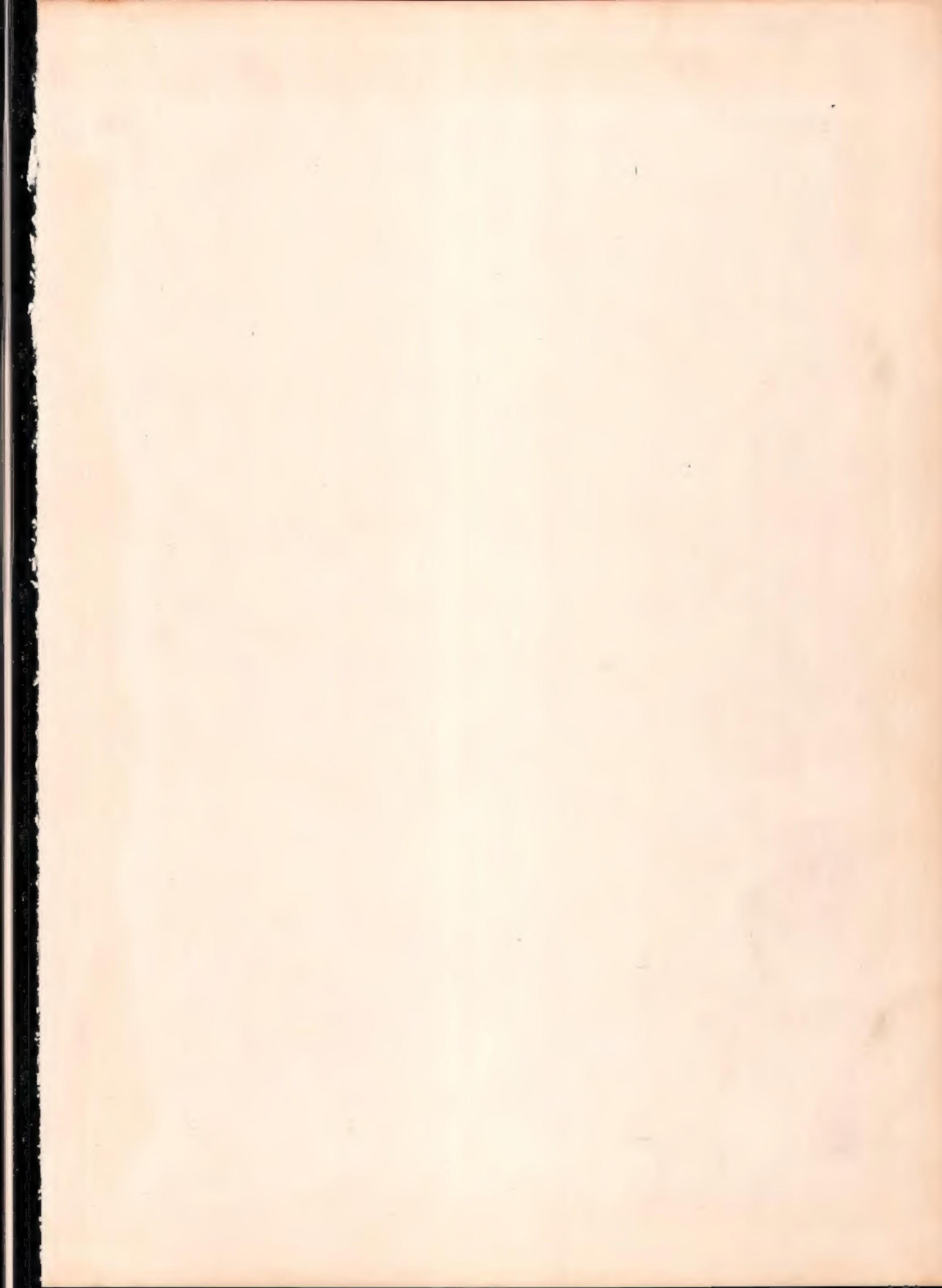




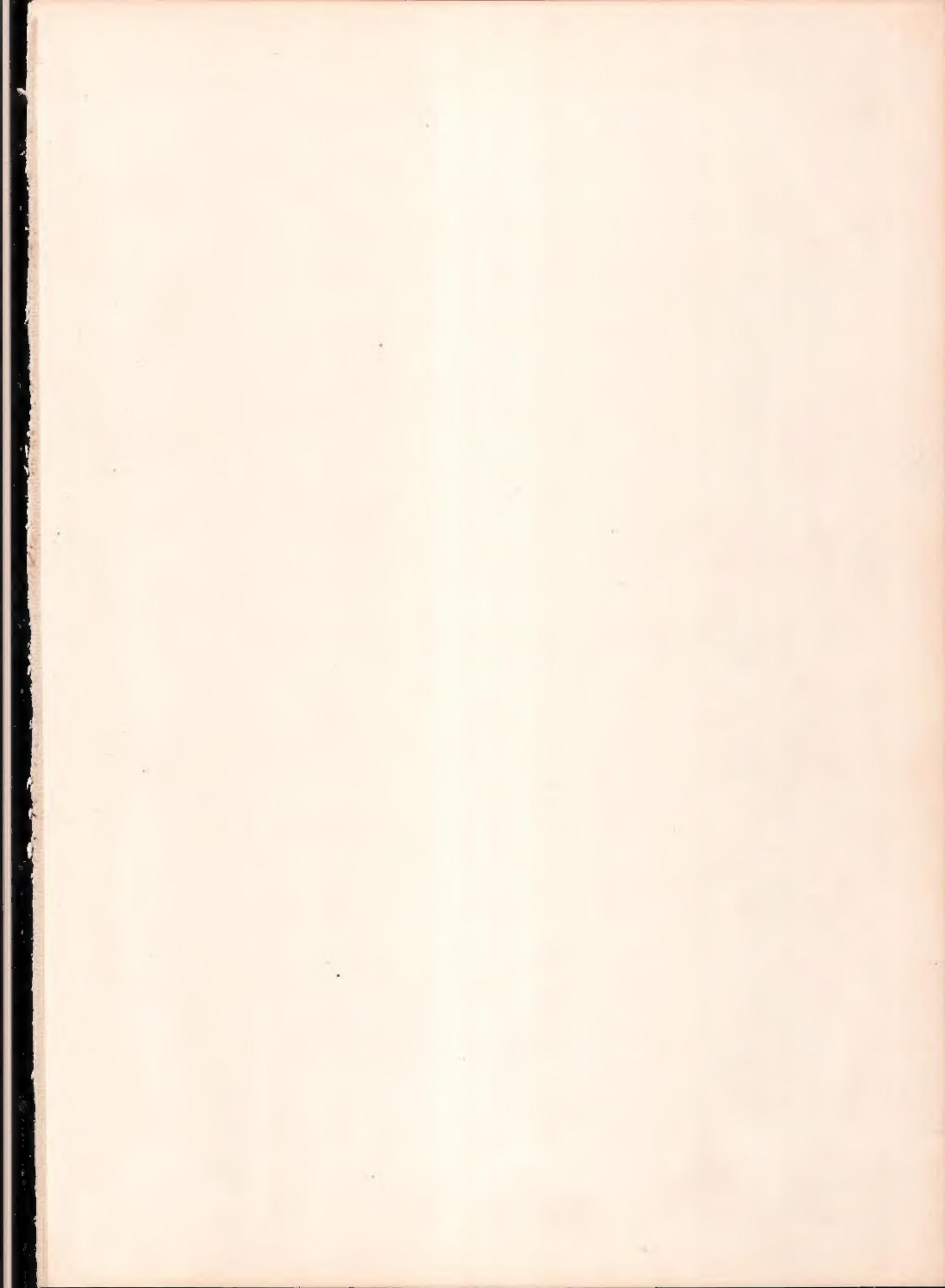
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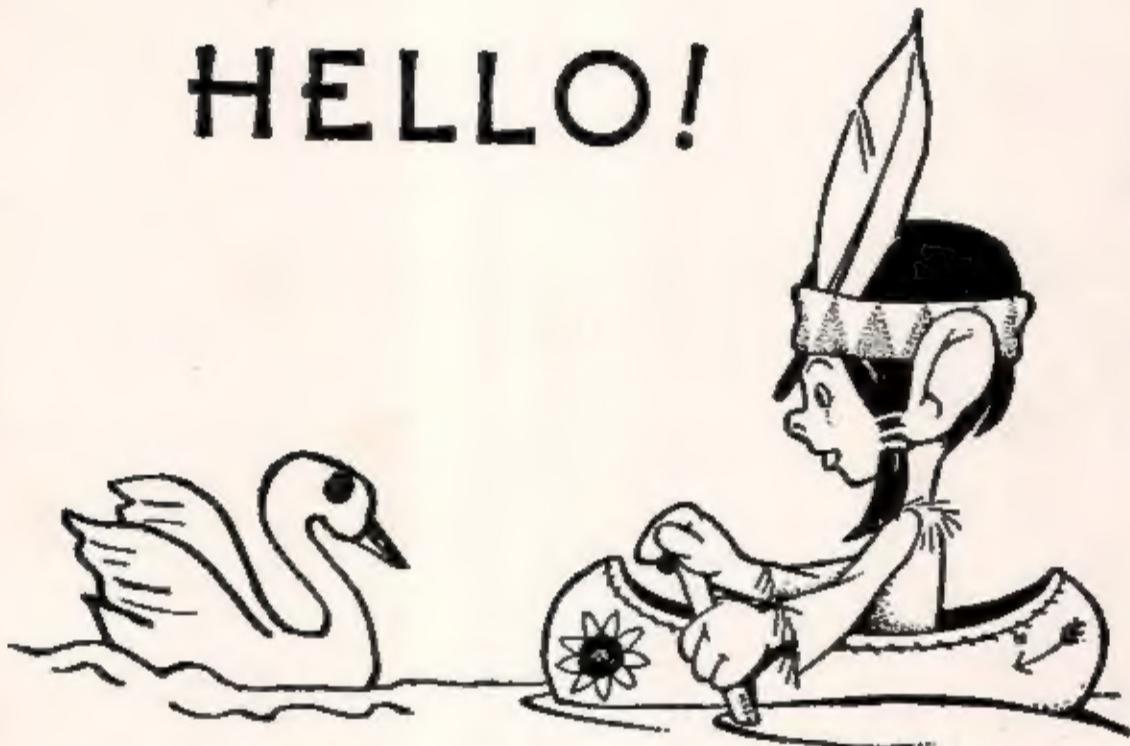






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The senior class was very happy to publish the '55 edition of THE SWAN. The editor-in-chief, chosen last year, and the other staff members who were chosen this year assumed the responsibility for it, along with our sponsor, Miss Mitchell.

Some of the many problems we solved were the choice of a cover, the kind of advertising to use and the choice of a theme. We thought that pictures with advertising would help, so we offered this suggestion and many of our advertisers used it. We sincerely thank all those who bought advertising space to help us produce this book. We decided that our theme should be an Indian one because of the Indian tradition of our school.

Dedication

We, the Senior Braves, in appreciation, do dedicate this year's "Swan" to you, our parents. Without your constant encouragement and many sacrifices, we could never have successfully become true Warriors ready to leave this Village and face life's many battles and great hunts.

Mr. and Mrs. Wain Figham

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Indian Village Activities

In the town of La Cygne, Kansas,
In the county known as Linn
Stand the dwellings of our Indians,
Stands the wigwam called the High School,
Called the La Cygne Rural High School.

As the year becomes September,
As the leaves turn red and yellow,
Indian braves and maidens gather
In this village known as La Cygne,
City of the Swan is La Cygne.
From their wigwams in the valley,
From their wigwams on the hilltops
Come the tall young braves and maidens,
Come to gather by the river
By the Marais des Cygnes, the swan marsh.

Here they come to gather knowledge,
Here they come to garner wisdom.
Here may all the pupils profit
From their chieftains' words of wisdom
Magic arts and lore of ages.
Here the Indians learn their lessons
Learn to work and play together
Study hard to please their chieftains,
Make good grades to please their parents.

Soon they hear the distant war calls
Of the Eagles, Panthers, Bulldogs,
Hear the buzzing of the Hornets,
Hear the squawking of the Blu-Jays.
Skilled with tomahawk and arrow
Forth the warriors go to battle.
And the Indian maidens cheer them,
Indian maidens, Minnie-ha-has,
Feast them when they are victorious,
Sympathize in all their losses.

Here they have good times together,
Learn to sing and make good music.
Pleasant is their life together.
Here they hold their councils, pow-wows,
Meet for feasts and ceremonials,
Laugh together, make life friendships.
And the days pass all too quickly.

SEPTEMBER 6-Tribes gather in village.
10-Tribes have feast on hunting grounds.
17-Beta Wu presents heap big assembly.
18-FHA officers hold council in Perry.
24-Warriors to Bronson for battle.
25-Tribal band to Lawrence for parade.
28-FFA officers to Lawrence for council.
OCTOBER 1-Warriors fight Uniontown here.
1-Minnie-ha-ha's entertain tribesmen.
4-Band in Centennial Parade-Osawatomie.
8-Blue Mound Bulldogs come for battle.
12-Pictures of senior braves and maidens.
FFA Braves to K.C. for council.

13-Pictures of tribesmen and groups.
14-Magazine sales begin.
15-Warriors meet Blu-Jays in Pleasanton.
20-FFA Braves to American Royal.
22-Warriors scalp Louisburg Wildcats.

Many Indians return for big pow-wow
for Chief Warrior and Princess.
23-FHA Squaws to council at Lawrence.
28-Highway Patrol shows Safety Film.
Junior Tribe shows acting ability.
29-Warriors meet Kincaid here.
NOVEMBER 1-FFA Parent Night.
2-Magazine sales end with \$875.13.
3-Warriors meet Parker Panthers there.

- 12-Warriors fight Mound City Eagles.
- 19-Minniehahas give feast for Warriors.
- Heap big paper drive by FFA Braves.
- 24-Indians meet for Thanksgiving council.
- 25-26-Thanksgiving vacation.
- 30-FFA Braves give feast for parents.
- DECEMBER 1-Movie and lecture on Iceland.
- 3-Warriors get stung in Hornet's nest.
- 7-Wildcats come to tear up the Warriors.
- 10-Eagles are caught by Warriors.
- 14-Bulldogs come and chew up Warriors.
- 16-Observe Christmas with cantata.
- 17-Warriors tramp Panthers in their lair.
- More pictures for the Swan.
- 20-Beta Wu feast and dance.
- 22-FHA Squaws give tea for Mothers.
- 23-Village Christmas gathering is fun.
- 24-Village disbands for holidays.
- JANUARY 3-Tribes regather in Village.
- 7-Warriors scalp fighting Blujays.
- 13-14-Tribal counselors test tribesmen.
- 14-Swarming Hornets sting the Warriors.
- 18-All tribes hold heap big pow-wow.
- 20-March-of-Time basketball game.
- 21-Warriors scalp Eagles in their nest.
- 25-Bulldogs chew up the Warriors again.
- 28-Warriors skin the invading Panthers.
- FEBRUARY 1-Warriors trap Wildcats in den.
- 2-Film "Behind the Iron Curtain."
- 4-Blujays tear up invading Warriors.
- 11-Actors perform in one-act plays.
- 16-17-18-League Tournament at Blue Mound.
- 25-FFA Braves present heap big assembly.
- MARCH 1-Warriors enter tournament-Richmond.
- 3-Junior warriors win tribal tournament.
- 12-FHA squaws to Topeka to State Council.
- 18-Village welcomes league singers.
- 25-Village band to Pleasanton festival.
- 26-One-act plays to Chanute.
- APRIL 1-2-Musicians enter festival-Pittsburg.
- 13-Lew Hershey, the clown, entertains.
- 22-Senior actors present play.
- 23-State music festival.
- 27-Warriors enter track meet.
- 29-Junior tribe gives feast for seniors.
- MAY 6-Seniors go on long journey.
- 11-Style Review
- 15-Baccalaureate.
- 17-Seniors present farewell assembly.
- 19-Final ceremony for departing seniors.

As the year turns into summer,
As the sun climbs ever higher,
It is time for the departure
Back to wigwams in the valley,
Back to wigwams on the hilltops,
Some to wigwams far away.
And these Indians call, departing,
"We have listened to your message,
We have heard your words of wisdom,
We will think on what you tell us."
And to those who seek new dwellings
Tribesmen call, "Farewell, O brothers!"
Call, "Farewell, O Braves and Maidens.
May your lives be happy, useful;
May you prosper in your new homes
As you leave the La Cygne Wigwam
Called the La Cygne Rural High School."

Board Of Education

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Treasurer
Harold Hoover
Director
Robert Teagarden
Clerk



To the members of the board of education we express our appreciation for their efforts, in behalf of the community which they represent, to provide for us the best possible facilities for gaining our high school education.



Principal

What has been accomplished by the students of L.R.H.S. is largely the result of the leadership of Mr. R.S. Handley, the principal. Mr. Handley is highly respected for his work and the students of L.R.H.S. are grateful for his guidance and his interest in their efforts.

Transportation

Mr. Ray Wade operates four buses which transport the students to the La Cygne Schools each day covering the school district of 135 square miles. The buses are also used on all out of town trips for school activities. The drivers shown are Ray Wade, Charlie Filtingberger, Kenneth McClanahan, Ivan Wade, and Leo McRae.



Tribal Counselors



Lloyd Gugler
Vocational
Agriculture



Louise Mitchell
Mathematics



Leila Lesher
Commerce



Robert Young
Football Coach
Physical Education
General Science



Claire Handley
Home Economics
Biology



Lois Irwin
Music



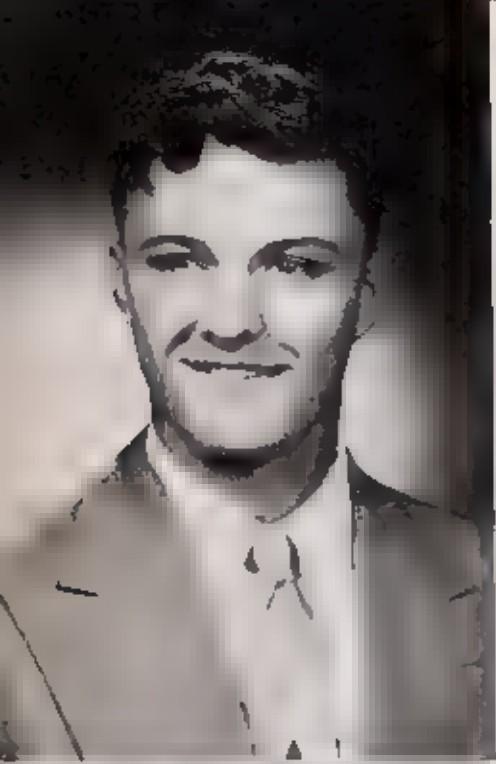
Viva Roberts
English



Wendell Frazell
Basketball Coach
Industrial Arts
Driver Training



Senior Tribe



Larry Dan White
President
"I don't know what it means
to be ornery!"



Susan Ross
Secretary
"I'm counting the days."



Mary Ann White
Vice-president
"The days aren't long enough
for all I'd like to do."



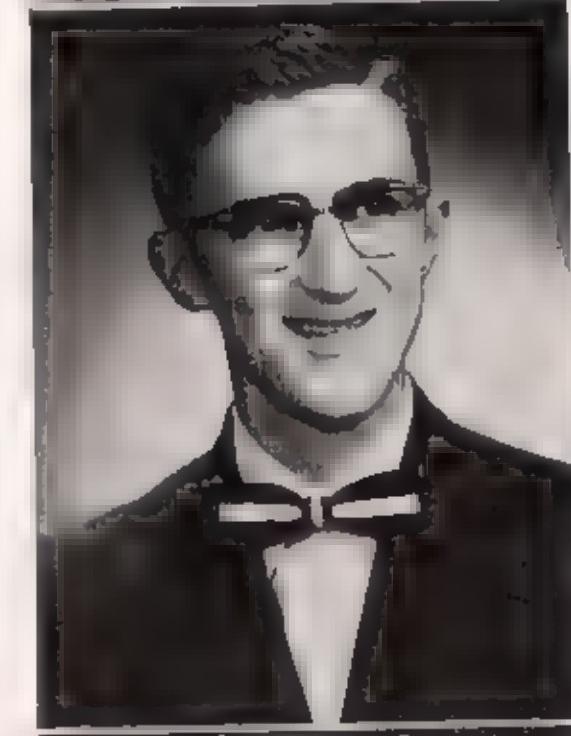
Jean Bigham
Treasurer
"Worrying is my least worry!"



Floyd Leroy Miller
"Girls are my hobby."



Clayton Norton
"I like to join the Hotrod
races!"



Nadine Pease
"Smiles come natural to me!"



Virginia Hewitt
"Everything suits me fine!"



Mary Beth McClanahan
"Remind me to remember."





MOTTO-If we rest we rust.
FLOWFR-Pink Tea-rose
COLORS-Royal blue and silver

Martha Lou Irwin
"My giggling gives me away!"



Alice Sherman
"I'm never bored!"



Bob Gowing
"Hey! I passed!"

Jack Karr
"Wasting time's no waste of
time."



Shirley Ann Boswell
"Living is my greatest love."



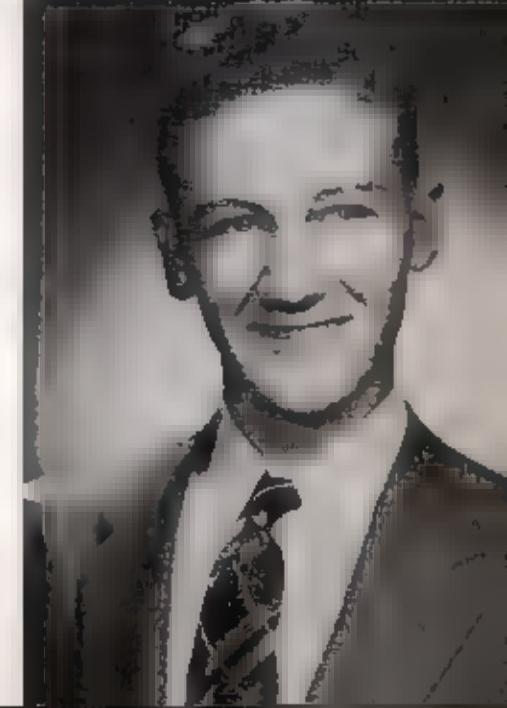
Daisy Showalter
"I'll never tell!"

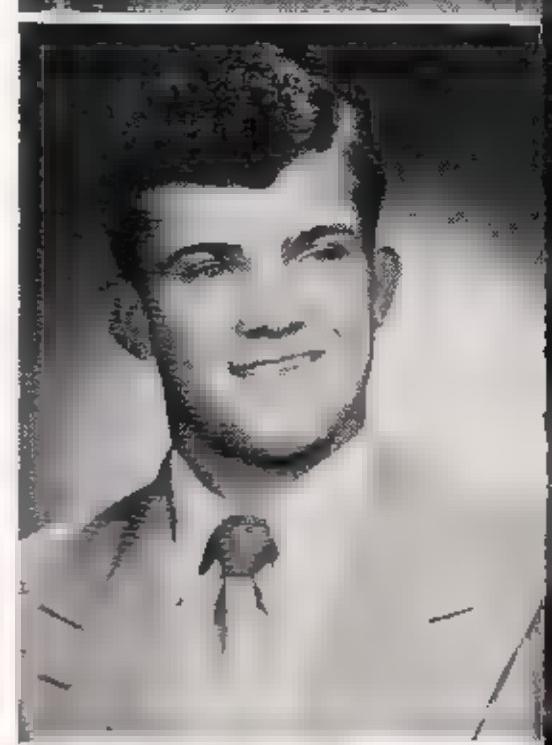
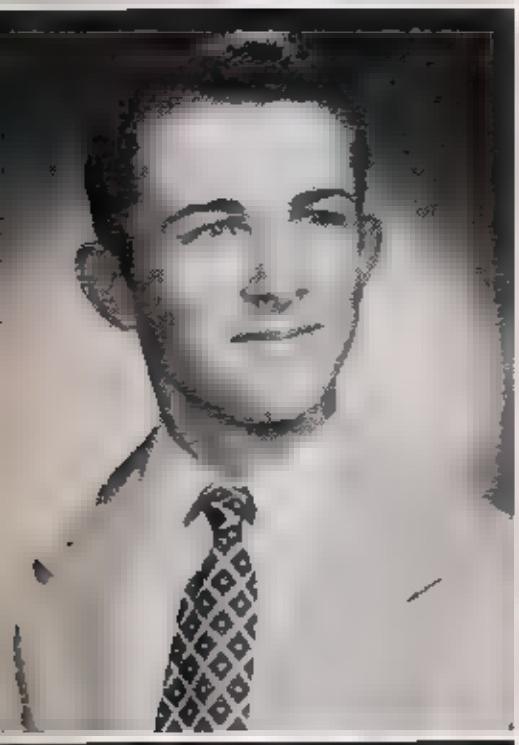
Charles Weickert
"I learned something today,
but I forgot what it was."

James Karr
"Who me? I'm just an
innocent bystander!"



Ramona Trinkle
"Forget school-let's have fun!"





Kenneth Mooney
"I do as little as possible whenever it's possible."

Loleta Miller
"Smiles reap friendship-I've tried it."

Nadine Stark
"Eek! Take those books away!"

Warren Capenart
"Lessons! What are they?"

Gene Bond
"I can't remember dates-except with girls!"

Eileen Hardisty
"I never meet a stranger."

Norma Jean Stevenin
"There's no time like the present!"

Roy Geiger
"I don't like History except to make it."

Donald Surbaugh
"Cars beat girls any ole day!"

Karen Boswell
"Easy-going is the easiest way to go."



Tribal Chieftains

→Juniors→

CHIEF: Delores Mosler
MEDICINE MAN: Carl McClanahan
SCRIBE: Kathryn Hime
KEEPER-OF-WAMPUM: Kay Pinkston



→Freshmen→

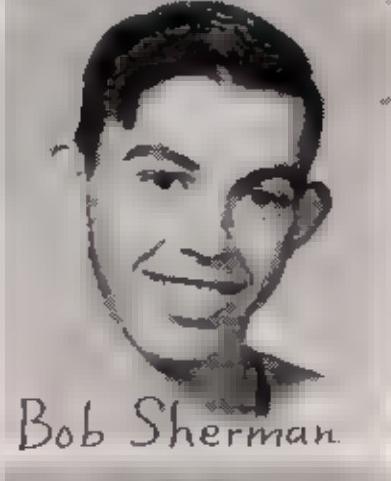
CHIEF: Theron Miller
MEDICINE MAN: Ronald Smith
SCRIBE: Tom Sims
KEEPER-OF-WAMPUM: Lyle Potts

Junior Tribe

FLOWER:Yellow rose
COLORS:Purple and lilac
MOTTO:Don't just itch for success, scratch for it.

CHIEF:Delores Mosler
MEDICINE MAN:Carl McClanahan
SCRIBE:Kathryn Hime
KEEPER-OF-WAMPUM:Kay Pinkston

Carol Catotter



Sophomore Tribe



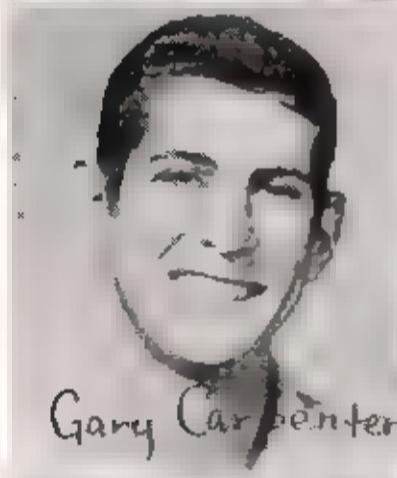
James Driggs

FLOWER: Pink rose
COLORS: Gold and blue
MOTTO: Aim high and hold your aim.

CHIEF: Sharron Driskill
MEDICINE MAN: Johnny Andrews
SCRIBE: Hurst Miller
KEEPER-OF-WAMPUM: Marie Cole



Lorraine Capehart



Gary Carpenter



Kenneth Farms



Richard Frank



Shirley Gage



Elaine Gross



Kay Hampton



Roger Jackson



Dorothy Hays



Billy Joe Hewitt



David Jackson



Richard Karr



Bill Rhynerson



Carol Roberts



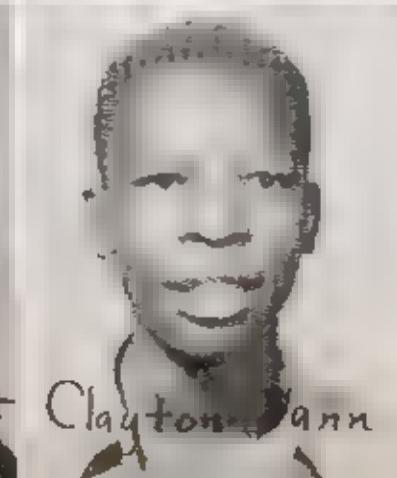
Carol Sherman



Janice Stark



Shirley Stewart



Clayton Ann



Jimmie Weiskert



Barbara Wilhoit

Freshman Tribe

COLORS: Pink and black

FLOWER: Pink carnation

MOTTO: Today we follow, tomorrow we lead.



Lawrence Delmore



Barbara Fagin



CHIEF:
Theron Miller
MEDICINE MAN:
Ronald Smith
SCRIBE:
Tom Sims
KEEPER-OF-WAMPUM:
Lyle Potts



Melvin Brooks



Richard Gerowt



Darrel Cox



Junior Greaser



Junior Feltzman



Marjorie Frank



Harry Guder



Marvin Lippisch



Theron Miller



Dorothy McGinnis



Yvonne Morris



Loretta Nelson



Joyce Purdy



Earline Rose



Marie Sours



Margaret Stevenson



Joyce Finley



Jerry Twogood



Bob Waggoner



Wanda Weicker



Larry Wilson

We learn from our Chieftains

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Here we come to garner wisdom.
Here may all the pupils profit
From the chieftains' words of wisdom,
Magic arts and lore of ages.
Here the Indians learn their lessons
Learn to work and play together,
Study hard to please their chieftains,
Make good grades to please their parents.





Voc
Ag

Vocational Agriculture classes meet in the Ag building which is divided into a classroom, an office, and a well-equipped shop room. Junior boys are shown studying in the classroom with their instructor, Mr. Sugler. Freshman and sophomore boys are working in the shop on projects. Each boy must have a farm program and keep a Farm Record book to show expenses and income. They learn scientific farming methods and how to judge crops, livestock, and soil. Boys in Ag classes are eligible for membership in F.F.A.





*Home
Ec*

Four years of work are offered in the Home Economics department with Mrs. Handley as instructor. Each class spends some time sewing and cooking and also studies various units on home management such as budgeting, child care, first aid, and home decoration.

The freshmen girls are shown working on aprons for Christmas gifts. Three juniors are wearing jumpers they have just completed while the other girls are finishing their garments. In the picture below, the three senior girls are designing table centerpieces and the sophomore girls are making candy for Christmas.



Industrial Arts



Industrial Arts classes meet in a separate building where they have a classroom and a workshop. Various woodwork projects are turned out by the boys in these classes.



Mr. Frazell is shown in the workroom instructing Larry Wilson in the use of the bench saw. Lyle Potts and Charles Weickert are using the drill press; Donald Surbaugh, the jig saw; Bob Waggoner, the lathe; Jerry Twogood, the hand plane. Roy Geiger is using the joint on his step table. Kenny Mooney and Gary Carpenter are using a vice and Clayton Vann is putting away some material in the storage rack.



Dick Frank is working on his desk at the miter and Melvin Cole is using the emery stone on his gun rack. Bob Sherman is in the paint room using a spray gun on his project. Carl McClanahan is making a what-not shelf and Kenny Farris is making a lamp.

The freshman boys are shown in the classroom working on mechanical drawings. These boys all work on the same projects their first year.



Classes



Classes in Typing, Business Arithmetic, Bookkeeping, and Secretarial Training are taught by Miss Lesher. Shown above is a junior typing class, and at the right is a sophomore commercial class.



The senior class under Mr. Handley's supervision studies American History from Columbus' voyage to modern times. All seniors are required to take this course.



The freshmen in this Algebra class are learning to work equations. Miss Mitchell is their teacher. The freshmen may choose to take Algebra or General Mathematics.



Freshmen Match
against Sophomore
Basketball



Boys in Phys. Ed. class
Line-up for calisthenics.



Freshman and sophomore
boys in Phys. Ed. class
demonstrating basketball.



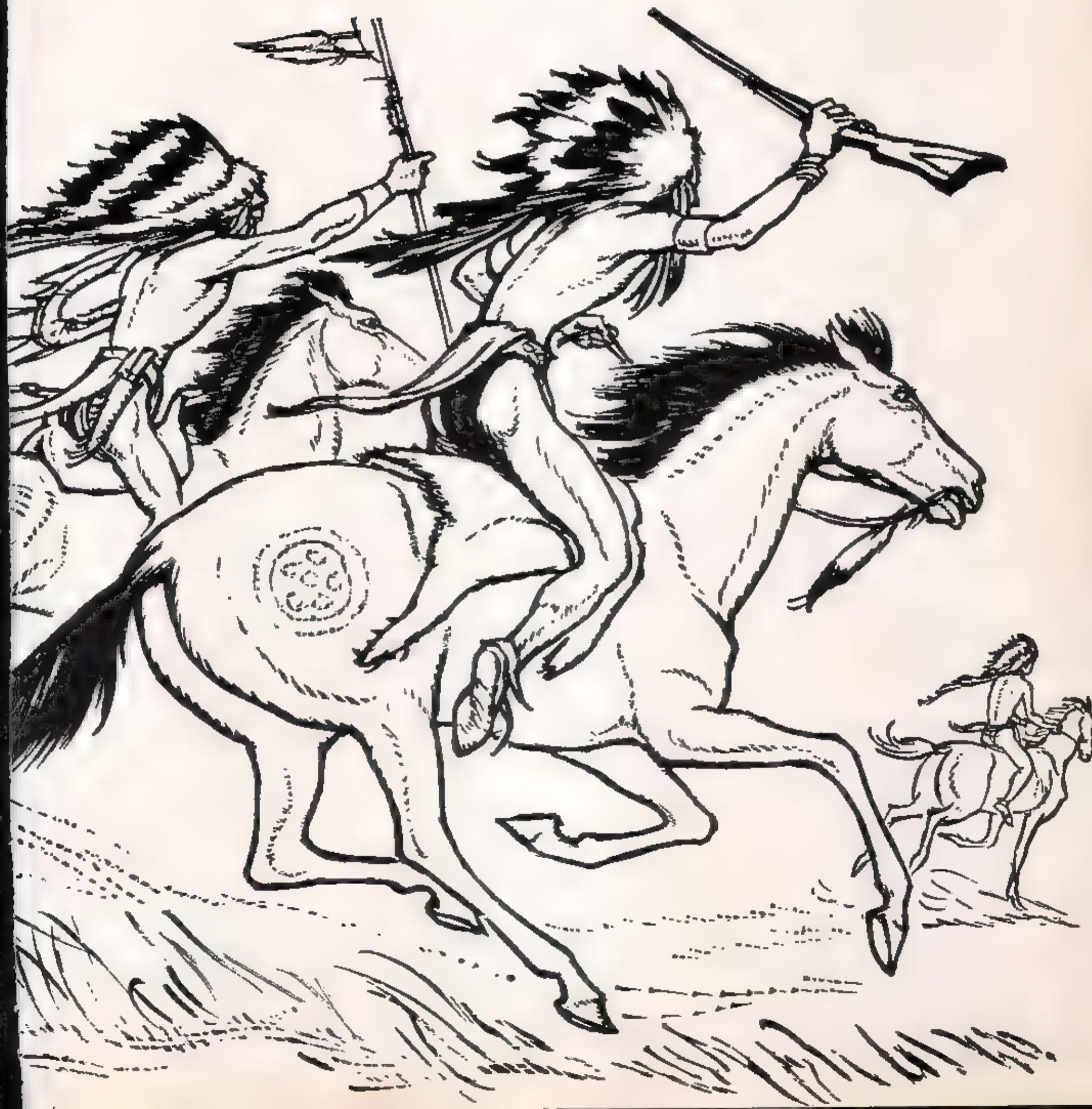
... write the news
The Trumpeter





We go on the Warpath

Soon we hear the distant war calls
From the Eagles, Panthers, Bulldogs,
Hear the buzzing of the Hornets,
Hear the squawking of the Blu-Jays.
Skilled with tomahawks and arrows
Forth the warriors go to battle.



	They	We
Spring Hill	13	0
Bronson	13	13
Uniontown	6	20
Blue Mound	33	0
Pleasanton	31	0
Louisburg	7	18
Kincaid	6	6
Parker	31	0
Mound City	0	12





Row 1: Gowing, D. Karr, Cox, Surbaugh, White, Briggs, J. Karr, Mooney
Row 2: Sims, Jack Karr, McClanahan, Geiger, Feldman, Terry, Sherman,
Vann, McGinnis, Bond, Gugler
Row 3: Coach Robert Young, Twogood, Wilson, Smith, Aelmore, L. Miller
H. Miller, Stainbrook, Hewitt, Maschler, Asst. Coach Frazell.



J. Feldman-Fr.
End-135 lb.



C. Vann-Soph.
H.B.-150 lb.

Jack Karr-Sr.
Center-145 lb.



J. McGinnis-Jr.
Tackle-200 lb.



B. Sherman-Jr.
Tackle-135 lb.



Jim Karr-Sr.
End-160 lb.

D. Cox-Fr.
Tackle-150 lb.





B. Ross-Jr.
Guard-5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



J. Andrews-Jr.
Center-6'0"



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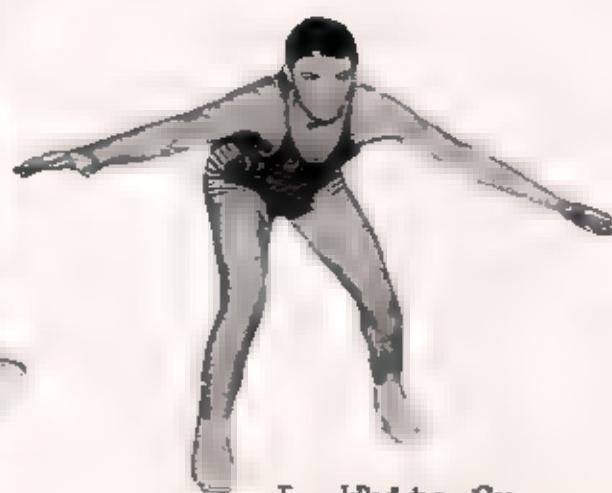
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Opp.	LRHS	Opp.	LRHS
Prescott	49	39	38
Louisburg	62	32	24
Mound City	36	74	22
Blue Mound	46	42	29
Parker	37	41	12
Pleasanton	51	60	48
Prescott	72	45	54
Mound City	34	52	31
Blue Mound	50	38	31
Parker	31	66	32
Louisburg	44	45	36
Pleasanton	62	30	57
LINN COUNTY TOURNAMENT			
Parker	36	33	
DISTRICT TOURNAMENT			
Westphalia	54	30	



B. Gowing-Sr.
Center-6'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



C. McClanahan-Jr.
Forward-5'11"



L. White-Sr.
Guard-5'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



M. Cole-Jr.
Forward-5'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



J. Twogood, D. Stainbrook, M. Brown, J. Weickert, L. Gugler, D. Karr,
L. Wilson, C. Vann, B. Ross, T. Miller, J. Andrews, M. Cole, B. Gowing,
L. Aelmore, C. McClellanahan, L. White, D. Cox, L. Potts, R. Smith,
T. Miller, T. Sims, J. Karr, M. Lindsey, Coach Frazell, Asst. Coach Young



T. Miller-Jr.
Forward-5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



D. Cox-Fr.
Forward-5'9"



J. Karr-Sr.
Guard-5'6"



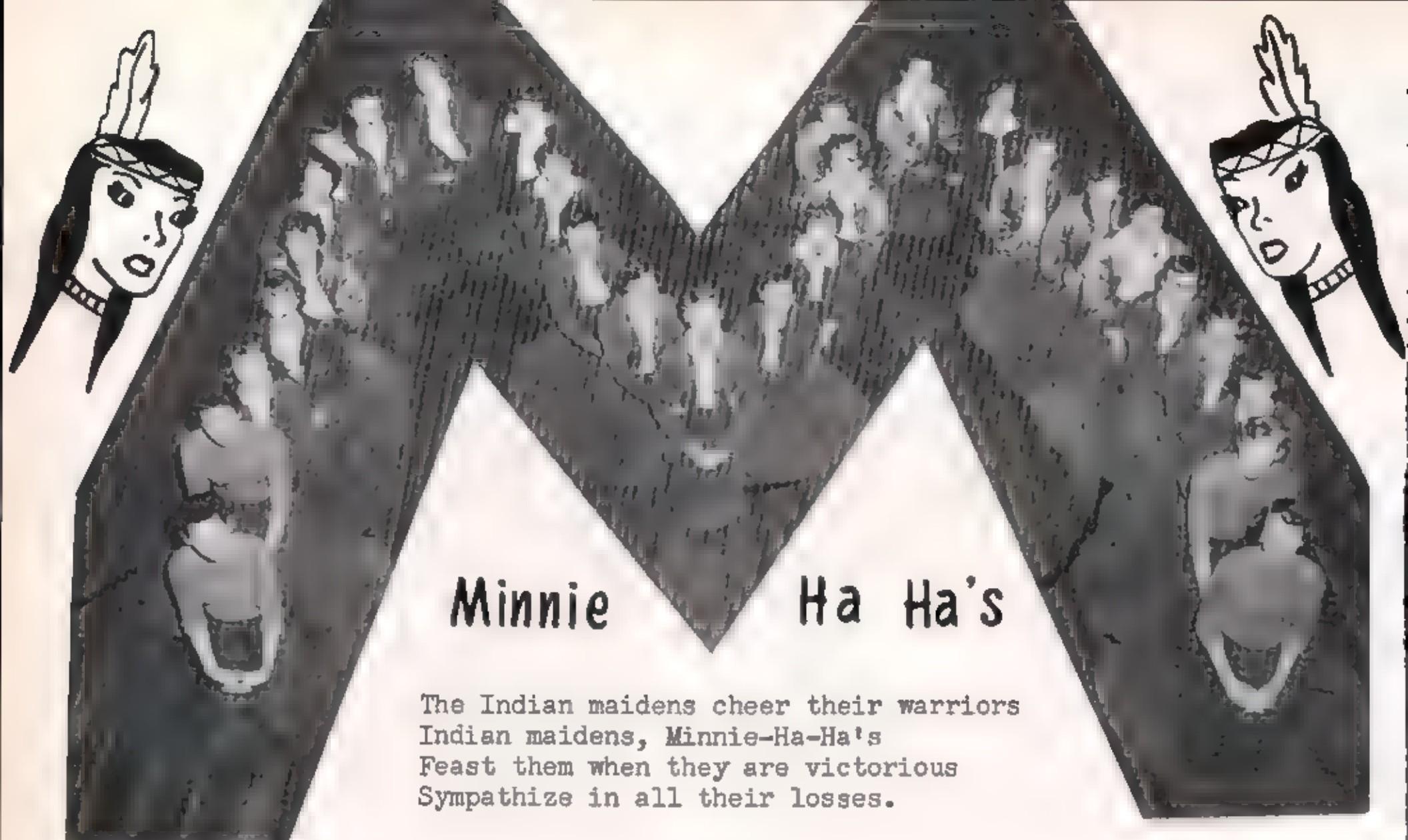
D. Karr-Soph.
Guard-5'7"



C. Vann-Soph.
Guard-5'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "



D. Stainbrook-Jr.
Forward-5'5"



Minnie Ha Ha's

The Indian maidens cheer their warriors
Indian maidens, Minnie-Ha-Ha's
Feast them when they are victorious
Sympathize in all their losses.

OFFICERS

President: Susan Ross
Vice-President: Nadine Pease
Secretary: Eva May Reece

Treasurer: Delores Mosler
Marshall: Marilyn Scott
Sponsors: Miss Mitchell
Mrs. Roberts

CHEERLEADERS

Carol Roberts

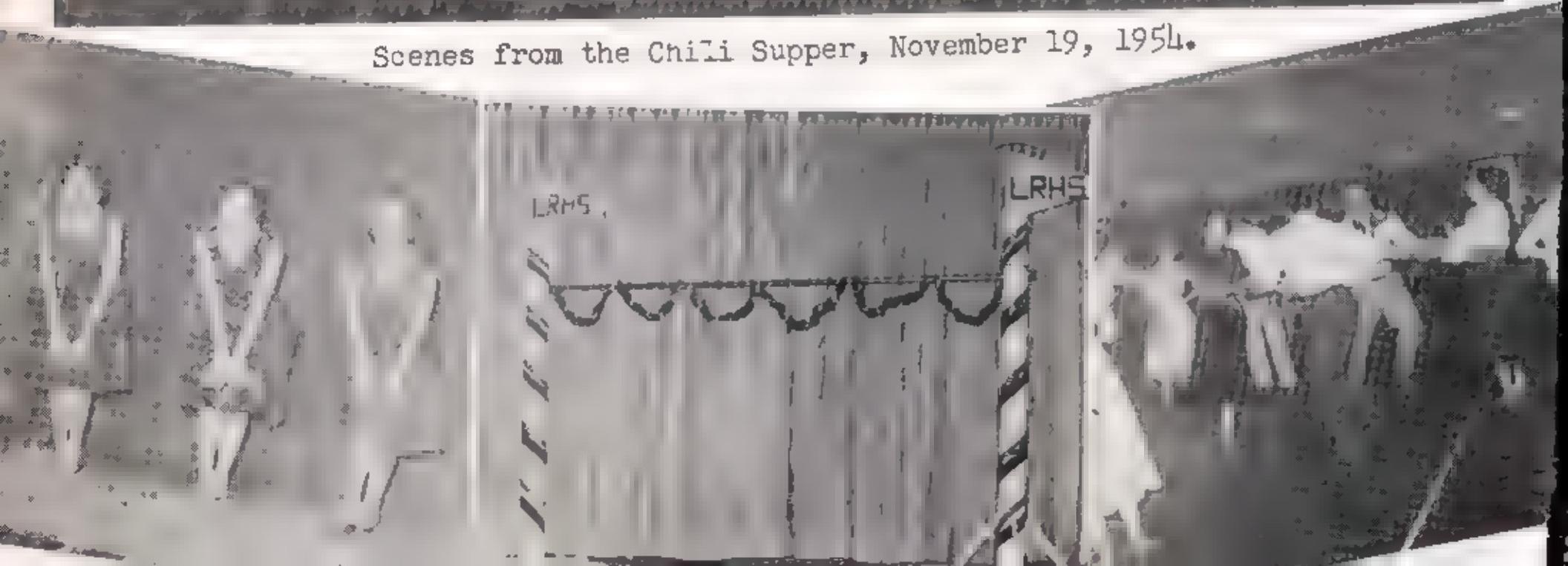
Martha Arnold

Deanna Stark

Dorothy Hays



Scenes from the Chili Supper, November 19, 1954.



We have good times together

Here we have good times together,
Learn to sing and make good music.
Pleasant is our life together.
Here we hold our councils, pow-wows,
Meet for feasts and ceremonials,
Laugh together, make life friendships.
And the days pass all too quickly.



Homecoming Pow-wow

Silently the tribal drummers, Joyce Terry, Janie Prike, and Martha Irwin, walked onto the battlefield, seated themselves around the blazing campfire and began the beat of the tom-toms. Then came the proud Chieftain, Clayton Norton, followed by Indian dancer, Johnnie Driskill, and Indian Princesses, Noreen Smith, Ruth Ann Pease, and Eileen Hardisty. After performing a worship ritual the chieftain gave the signal calling the rest of the tribe. With war-whoops and dancing came the tribal musicians led by drum major, Susan Ross, at one end of the battlefield and the Minnie-ha-ha's led by the cheerleaders at the other end. With the musicians seated around the campfire, Erma Rose played "Indian Love Call" which summoned the royal party. As "Red Wing" was played the royal couple and attendants entered the battlefield between the color guard formed by the Minnie-ha-ha's.

Maiden Virginia Hewitt brought the royal headdresses to the Big Chief who crowned Mary Ann White, High Princess, and Larry Dan White, Chief Warrior of the La Cygne Tribe.

Maidens and warriors Kathryn Hime and Carl McClanahan represented the junior class; Sharron Driskill and Johnny Andrews the sophomores class; and Dorothy McGinnis and Darrel Cox, the freshmen. The party left the field in cars driven by Bill Gowing, Bill Doherty, and Shirley Boswell while the tribal musicians played "From a Wigwam." The drums began again and the rest of the tribe led by the Big Chief danced off the field.

JUNIORS



FRESHMEN

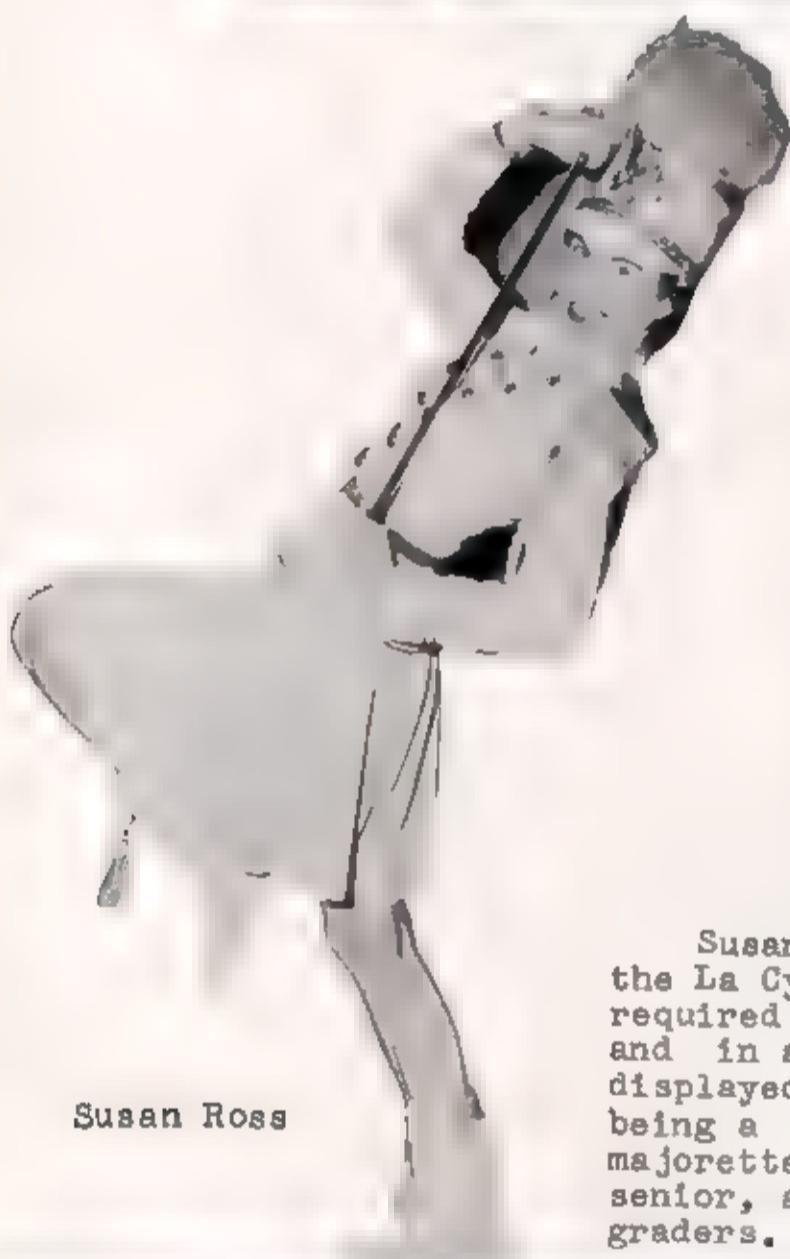


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Band



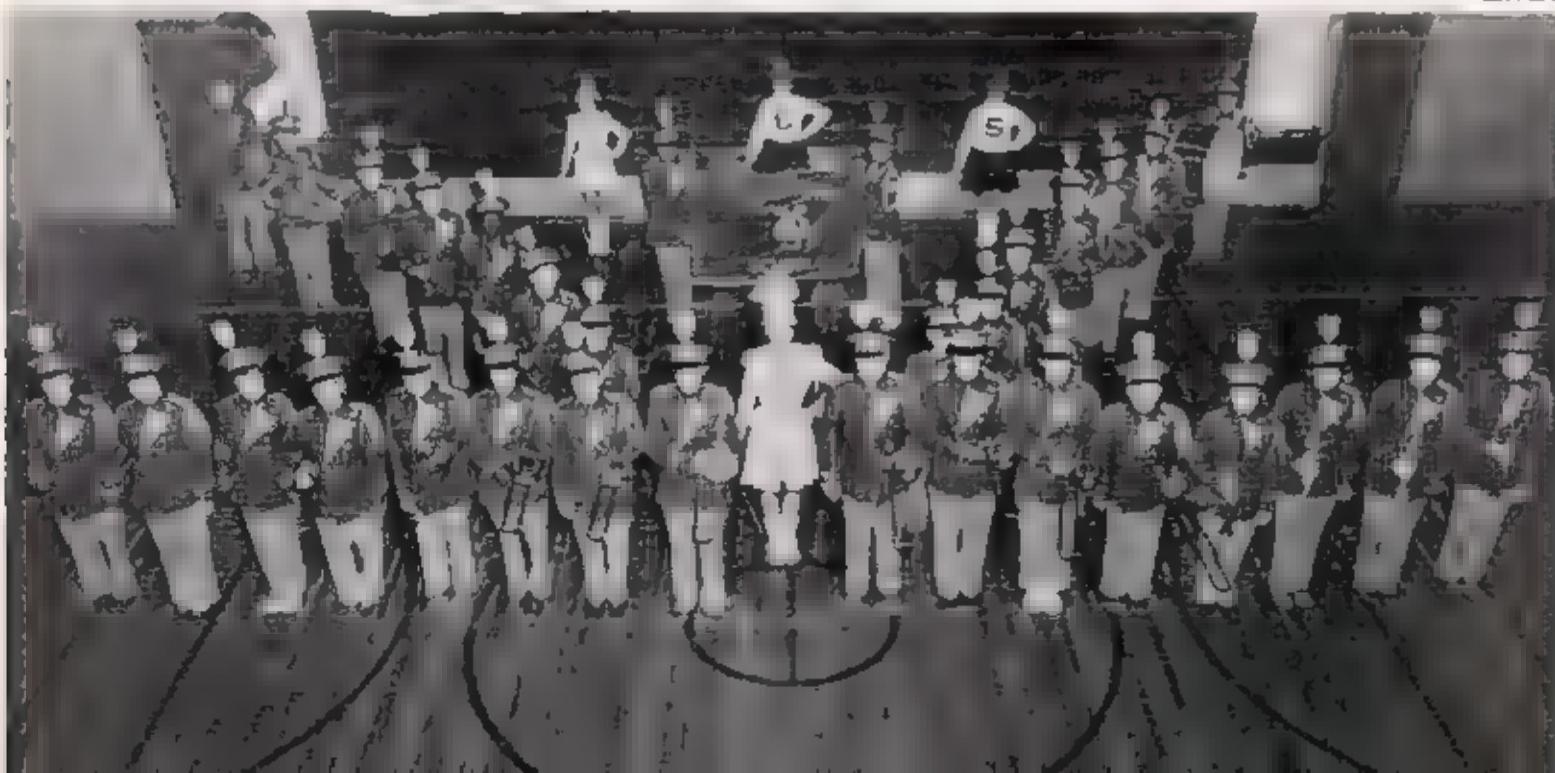
Susan Ross

The La Cygne High School band, under the direction of Mrs. Lois Irwin, was composed of 38 members from the high school and eighth grade. They performed at the half-time of each football game, making such formations as airplanes, square-dance, and the letter "L". Wearing Indian headdresses the band provided the setting for the crowning of the homecoming king and queen, complete with tom-toms, council fire, Big Chief, and dancers, as well as Indian music.

The band participated in "Band Day" at K.U., September 25 and in the Centennial celebration in Osawatomie in October. The League Band Festival was held at Pleasanton March 25, with Gerald Carney of K.U. as guest conductor. The bands and ensembles performed in the afternoon and received constructive criticism. The evening performance was given by selected ensembles and the massed bands. La Cygne's band entered the District Music Festival at Pittsburg, April 1.

Susan Ross, a senior, has served as drum major of the La Cygne band for 5½ years. Considerable skill is required in leading the band thru various formations and in a parade. Through these years Susan has displayed unusual ability in this skill as well as being a very attractive strutter. Assisting her as majorettes this year were Eileen Hardisty, also a senior, and Ruth Ann Pease and Noreen Smith, eighth-graders.

Eileen Hardisty





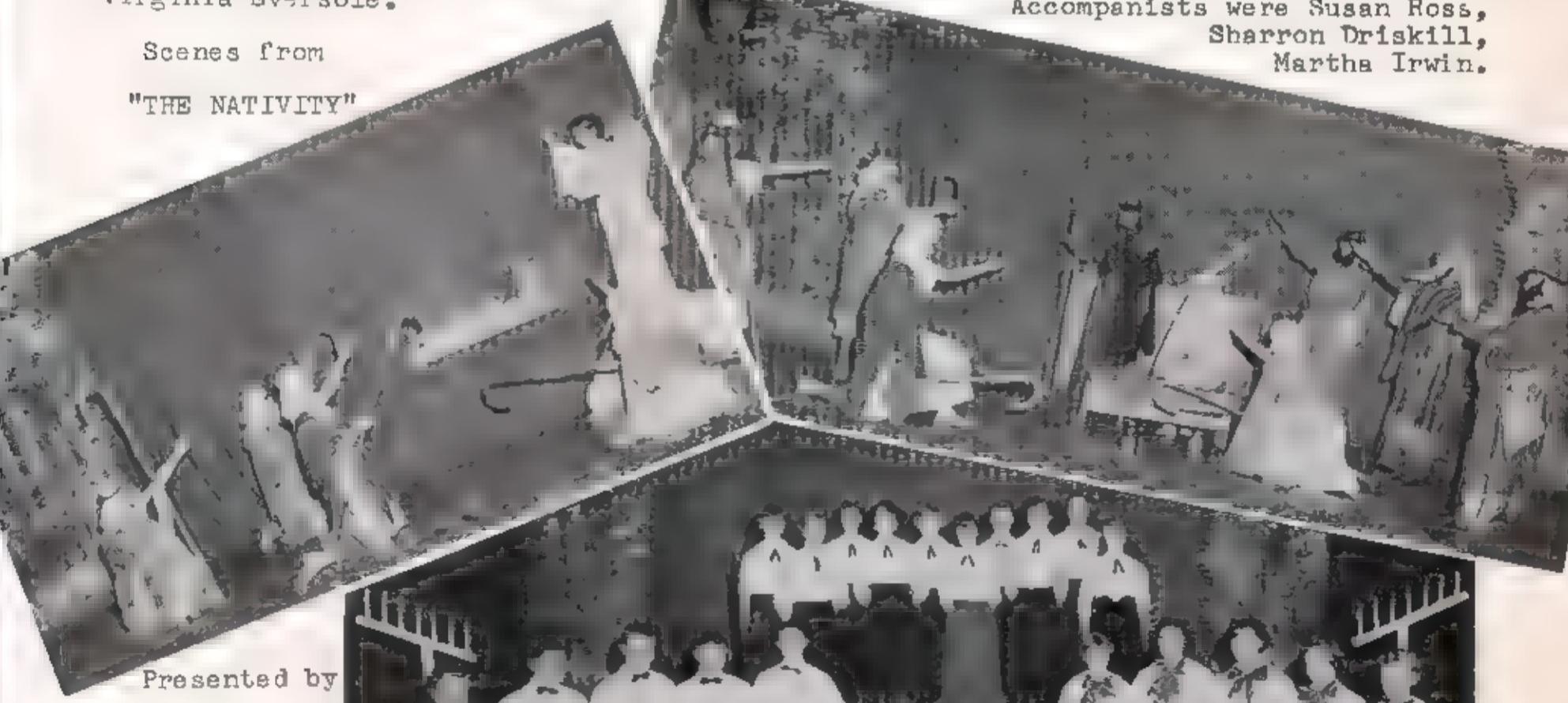
Vocal Music



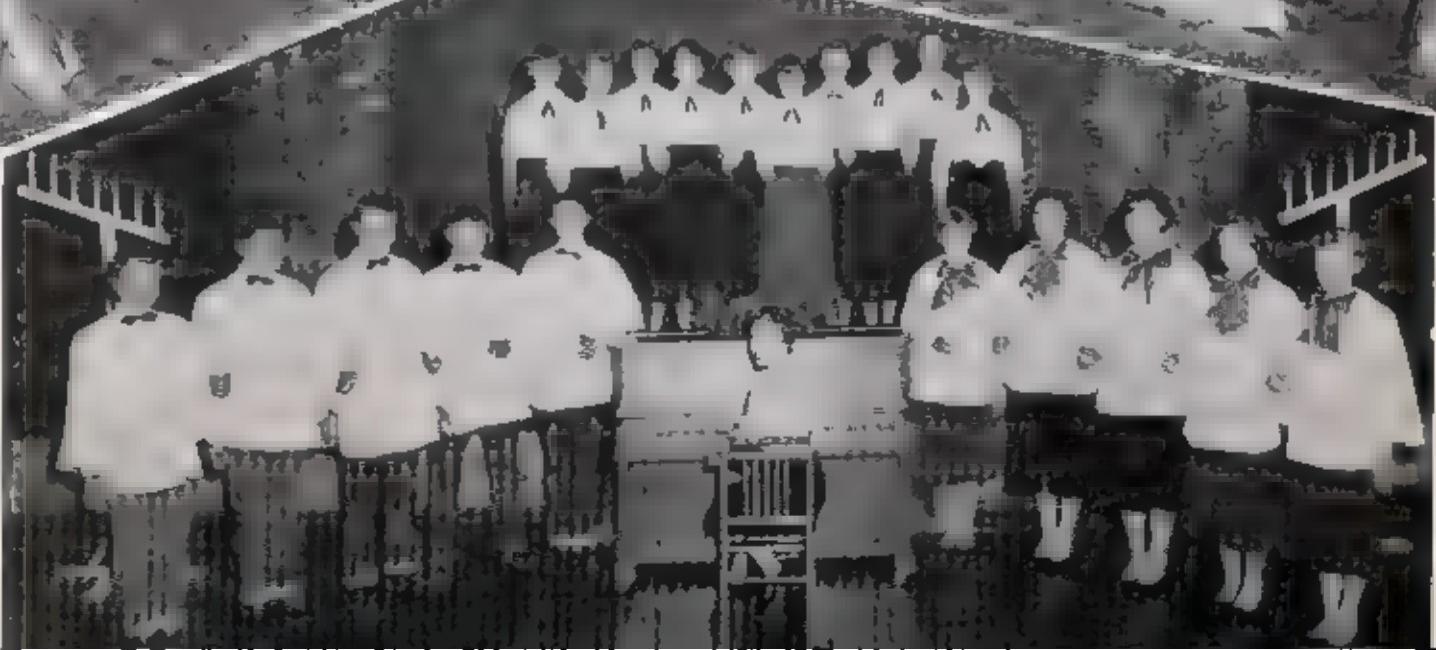
The glee clubs, under the direction of Mrs. Lois Irwin, were composed of 43 girls, 17 boys, and 32 in the mixed chorus. The county vocal music festival was held at La Cygne, March 18, with Clayton Krenbiel of K.U. as the guest conductor. The District Music Festival at Pittsburg, April 1 and 2, was entered by the glee clubs, the mixed chorus, and soloists----Susan Ross, Martha Irwin, Jack Miller, Kay Pinkston. Taking part in various quartets were: Martha Irwin, Susan Ross, Nadine Pease, Jack Miller, Alice Sherman, Loleta Miller, Ronald Smith, Bob Gowing, Kenny Farris, David Jackson, Marvin Lindsey, Jack Karr, Kay Pinkston, Lyle Potts, Anita Gage, Karen Boswell, Janie Prike, Barbara Wilhoit, Sharron Driskill, Marjorie Frank, Willa Dean Kerns, Mary Ann Briggs, Virginia Hewitt, Carol Roberts, Carol Ann Long, Virginia Eversole.

Accompanists were Susan Ross, Sharron Driskill, Martha Irwin.

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Glee Clubs
December 16.



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Vice President.....Mary Ann White
Secretary.....Marilyn Scott
Treasurer.....Dorcas McClanahan
Reporter.....Eva Mae Reece
Parliamentarian...Shirley Boswell

Song Leader.....Susan Ross
Pianist.....Martha Irwin
Historian.....Janie Prike
Chapter Mothers.Mrs. Roy McClanahan
Mrs. O.B. Wilhoit
Mrs. George Prike

The La Cygne Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America has sixty members, three chapter mothers and one chapter advisor. The F.H.A. organization is just what the name implies. It is a lively troupe of 383,750 girls in the U.S., Puerto Rico, Guam, Hawaii, and Alaska who are studying or who have studied Homemaking in junior or senior high school.

For the fourth consecutive year, the La Cygne Chapter was honored to have a number chosen for the state meeting. This year the "Flippy Flappers", Martha Irwin, Susan Ross, and Sherron Driskill, sang and danced at the meeting. Anita Gage, Nadine Pease, and Alice Sherman were chosen to participate in the second all chapter chorus. Marilyn Scott, Pearl Rhynerson, Delores Mosler, Mary Ellen Stainbrook, Mary Beth McClanahan, Dorcas McClanahan, Kathryn Hime, and Eva Mae Reece were awarded their state homemakers degree at the state convention attended by members, mothers, and the chapter advisor. In May of '54 the president, secretary and treasurer of the chapter, Nadine Pease, Marilyn Scott, and Dorcas McClanahan, attended the Leadership Training Camp at Goddard. Girls from the chapter have attended this camp for the past seven years. In the fall a committee composed of Dorcas McClanahan, Marilyn Scott, Mary Ann White, and Nadine Pease with their advisor, attended the district planning meeting at Perry. Three numbers were given at the District convention: "The Umbrella Sisters", Kathryn Hime and Dorcas McClanahan: a skit "The Family Working at Home" with Joan Harold, Mary Ellen Stainbrook, Delores Nosler, Mary Eth McClanahan, Pearl Rhynerson, Martha Mae Arnold: and the "Flippy Flappers".

The annual Christmas Tea was given by the members for their mothers. The chapter earned money by serving at the football games and at the County Vocal Festival which was held in La Cygne. Other activities participated in by the group were observance of National F.H.A. week, preparation of food for the F.F.A. father and son banquet and for the all-school party, a sunrise breakfast for the seniors, and serving at the Style Review.

State Degree Girls

Flippy Flappers





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Hurst Miller
Vice-president

Billy Hewitt
Secretary

Richard Karr
Sentinel

Bill Rhynerson
Reporter

Johnny Andrews
President

David Jackson
Treasurer

The La Cygne Chapter of F.F.A. this year has 14 members in school and 6 graduate members. In addition to the activities shown by the Award Winners the chapter sponsored a parent night, a parent-son banquet, and several paper drives and contests. Members attended the National Convention and the American Royal and observed national F.F.A. week.

Loren Reynolds and Clayton Carothers were awarded the State Farmer degree by the Kansas Association of Future Farmers of America at the Annual House of Delegates meeting in Manhattan, April 26, 1954. They are the first members of the La Cygne Chapter to receive this degree since it was chartered in 1936. Loren had an outstanding scholarship record, with good leadership activity and a good farming program. Clayton had developed an excellent and well-balanced farming program with fair scholarship and leadership activities.

FFA MFDAL WINNERS

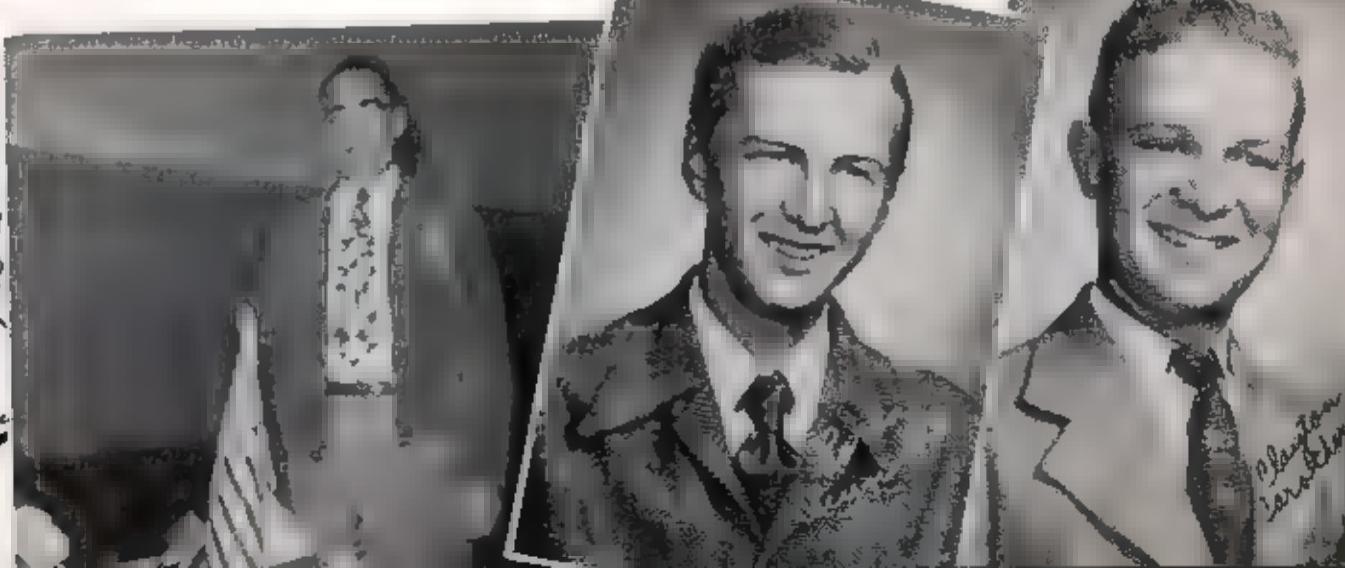
Public Speaking-Junior Creager
Farm Shop Contest-Junior Creager
Farm Safety-Theron Miller
Rural Electrification-Junior Feldman
Soil and Water Management-Junior Feldman

PROJECT WINNERS

BEEF-Billy Joe Hewitt
Bill Rhynerson
Hurst Miller
DAIRY-Johnny Andrews
Richard Karr
SHEEP-Richard Karr
PORK-David Jackson
Johnny Andrews
Charles Weickert
CROPS-Johnny Andrews
Hurst Miller
Richard Karr

CHAPTER FARMER AWARDS

Green Hand-Junior Feldman
Chapter Farmer-Johnny Andrews
De Kalb Agr. Achievement-Charles Weickert



plays

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by
Mrs. Viva Roberts



Ushers and stagehands

Junior Class Play

On October 28, the junior class presented their play, "Swing Your Partner". The play was well received by the audience which was particularly captivated by Clarence, a pet rattlesnake. Sam Banks, portrayed by Donald Stainbrook, was the foreman of a dude ranch owned by a prospector, Jim Dudley (Thurman Miller), and his impatient wife, Henrietta (Dorcas McClanahan). A city cousin, Barbara Young (Delores Mosler), and a well-educated dude, Bertram Weeks (Eldon Terry), of whom Barbara's father, Herbert Young (Kay Pinkston), does not approve, fall in love. The action is kept alert and interesting when other guests, Bessie Palmer and Jane Christian (Carol Carothers and Pearl Rhynerson), fall in love with Rain in the Face, an Indian (Loren Miller), who preferred the daughter of the rancher, Sally Dudley (Martha Arnold). As a maid, Hulda (Virginia Eversole), found it difficult to keep up with events since she was already busy trying to shed irritation caused by her red flannels in spring. The play finished with a square-dance party. Every junior had some part in the production of the play.

Senior Class Play

"Rest Assured," a three act comedy, was presented by the seniors, April 22. Mr. Morlock (Donald Surbaugh), is a fidgety, grouchy, business man who thinks of nothing other than money, gripes about his aches and pains, and won't let his family enjoy themselves. Mrs. Morlock (Karen Boswell), his wife, is continually disappointed by Mr. Morlock because business interferes with their private life. However there's never a dull moment when Jessica (Mary Ann White) the 13 year old daughter, begins training to be a woman wrestler. Mr. Morlock starts a feud when he won't allow his daughter Mary (Nadine Pease), to marry Joe Lanconi (Clayton Norton), because Joe's papa, Luigi (Larry White), is a poor, shabby meat cutter, even though he has a heart of gold. Mr. Morlock says that if Mary weds Joe it will be over his dead body. They fight and Luigi, who has a bad heart, dies of a heart attack. The feud appears to be over. But wait! Luigi gets permission to come back to haunt Mr. Morlock until he agrees to the wedding. Martha (Loleta Miller), Luigi's departed wife, comes down from heaven to help straighten out matters. All the family thinks he has gone insane when Mr. Morlock hears Luigi is playing tricks on him. When Luigi starts flirting with Mr. Morlock's secretary, Miss Akers (Virginia Hewitt), her fiance George Plew (Jack Karr), who is Mr. Morlock's attorney, becomes jealous. Mr. Morlock can't eat or sleep and in his despair he takes too many sleeping pills and kicks the bucket. Because of his oneryness in life Mr. Morlock is to be escorted "DOWN BELOW" by Lucifer (Jack Miller) and Mrs. Schmaltz (Martha Irwin), a blustery woman. Mildred (Susan Ross), the maid, is always bored, expressionless, and disgruntled. She seems to get nothing done but answer the telephone and door bell. Mr. Brown (Bob Gowing) is the family physician.



The Devil And Miss Appleby

Harriet Appleby a retired school teacher-----Susan Ross
The Devil-----Jack Miller
Mabel, 18, who works for Miss A.-----
-----Sharron Driskill
Committee Members---
Mr. Andrews-----Jack Karr
Mrs. Knox-----Nadine Pease
Mrs. Wilson----Martha Irwin
Jim Appleby, 25, Miss A.'s nephew-----
-----Eldon Terry
Henry Carleton, 45, Miss A.'s suitor-----
-----Rob Gowling



Three Pills In a Bottle

Tony Sims-----Hurst Miller
The Widow Sims, his mother--Anita Gage
A Middle-aged Gentleman---John Andrews
His Soul-----Billy Joe Hewitt
A Scissors Grinder-----Tommy Sims
His Soul-----Barbara Wilhoit
A Scrub Woman-----Mary Ann Briggs
Her Soul-----Dorothy McGinnis

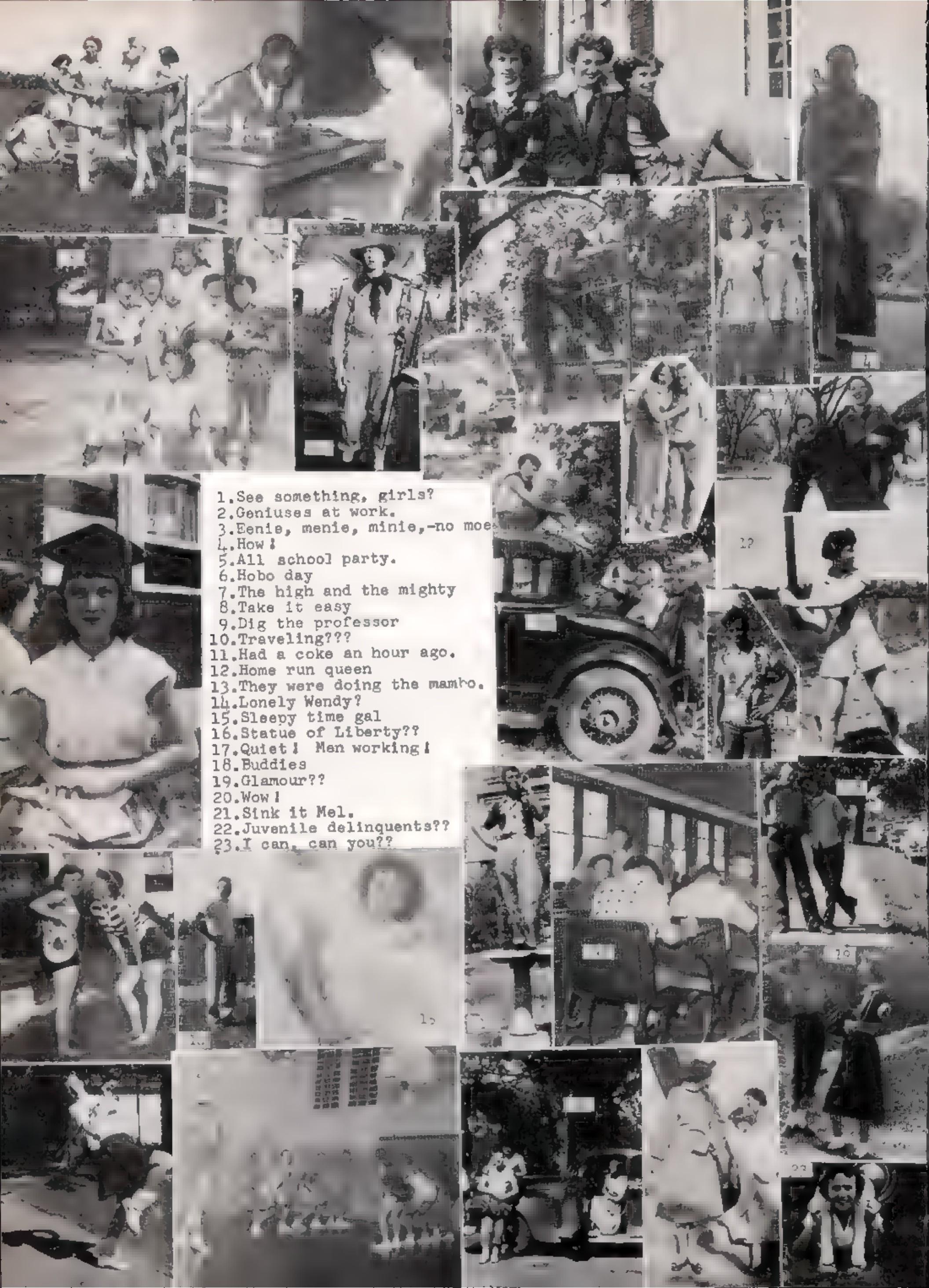
The Neighbors

Grandma-----Pearl Rhynerson
Mis' Diantha Abel---Porcas McClenahan
Ezra Williams-----Kay Pinkston
Peter-----Kenneth Farris
Inez-----Marie Cole
Mis' Elmira Moran-----Ioleta Miller
Mis' Trot-----Ruby Holman
Mis' Carry Elsworth---Virginia Hewitt



One-Act Plays

Directed
by
Mrs. Viva Roberts

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1. See something, girls?
 2. Geniuses at work.
 3. Eenie, menie, minie,-no moe.
 4. How!
 5. All school party.
 6. Hobo day
 7. The high and the mighty
 8. Take it easy
 9. Dig the professor
 10. Traveling???
 11. Had a coke an hour ago.
 12. Home run queen
 13. They were doing the mambo.
 14. Lonely Wendy?
 15. Sleepy time gal
 16. Statue of Liberty??
 17. Quiet! Men working!
 18. Buddies
 19. Glamour??
 20. Wow!
 21. Sink it Mel.
 22. Juvenile delinquents??
 23. I can, can you??

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- 1.Swing your partner
 - 2.Why so glum, chum?
 - 3.This practice paid off
 - 4.Studious little things, aren't they?
 - 5.Your move
 - 6.Monday morning blues
 - 7.Two-timer
 - 8.Roaring 20's
 - 9.Bunny hop
 - 10.Hike 1-2-3-4
 - 11.Handy Handley
 - 12.Sweet and innocent
 - 13.Christmas spirit
 - 14.Time out
 - 15.Rockabye baby
 - 16.Everybody happy?
 - 17.Of interest to women
 - 18.Going somewhere?
 - 19.Free show
 - 20.Somebody goofed
 - 21.Bashful
 - 22.Lineup

Beta Wu

President-Ramona Trinkle
Vice President-Virginia Hewitt
Secretary-Mary Ann White
Reporter-Shirley Boswell
Sponsor Mrs. Viva Roberts

The members of the library club, organized this year, chose the name Beta Wu for bookworms. The purpose of the club is to promote interest in books and the library. Of the fourteen members, eight serve as librarians and six help mend torn book covers and keep up the appearance of the library. Students show their club membership by wearing pins which were presented to them by Mrs. Roberts. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at four-thirty. Each meeting consists of a business meeting followed by a work period during which torn books are mended, shelves are checked, and inventory is taken. The pictures show club members at work in the library and having fun with their guests at their Christmas dinner party.

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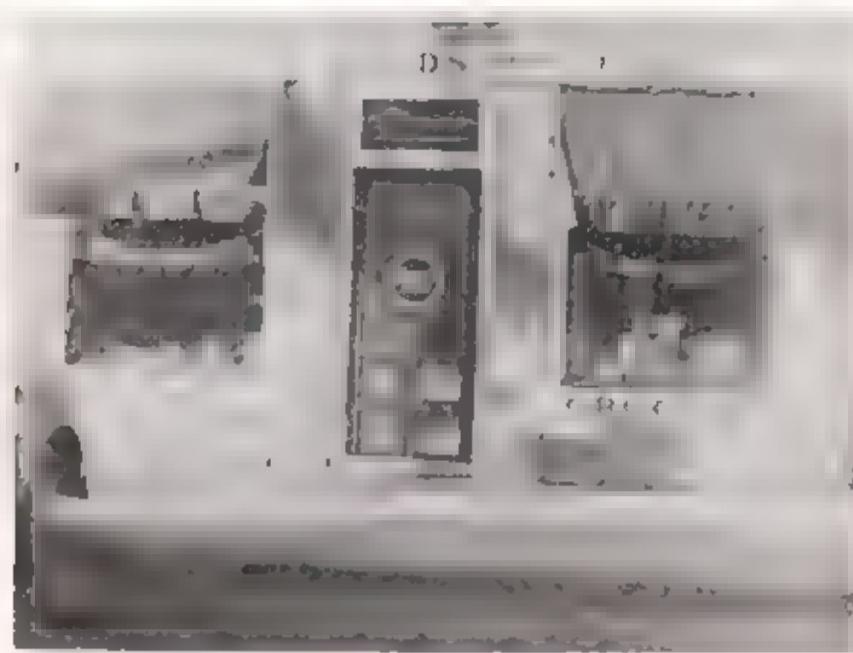
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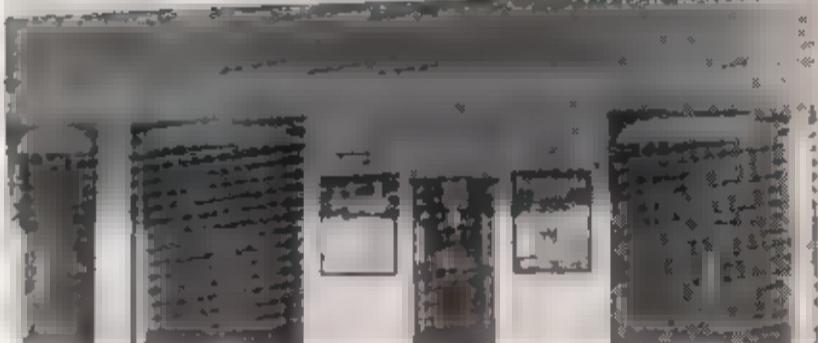
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